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March 22, 2000

Lon Thomas
Star Stone Quarries, Inc.
4040 South 300 West
Salt Lake City, Utah 84107

Re: Transfer of Notice of Intention, Small Mining Operations from American Stone, Inc. to Star Stone Quarries, Inc., Santa Barbara Quarry (S/013/000), Duchesne County; Horse Creek Mine (S/049/034), Utah County; Heber Quarry (S/051/001), Wasatch County; and Torry Mine (S/055/016), Wayne County, Utah

Dear Mr. Thomas:

On January 12, 2000, we received your letter stating that American Stone, Inc. was recently split into an operations corporation and a sales corporation. Your letter advised us that the operations corporation will now serve as the mine operator of the stone quarries (Star Stone Quarries, Inc.). On February 29, 2000, we received the completed Small Mining Operations transfer forms to transfer the four small mining projects listed above from American Stone, Inc. to Star Stone Quarries, Inc.

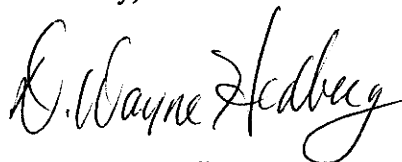
The Division Director signed and executed the transfer documents on March 16, 2000, *which effectively transfers the responsibility of continued mining and reclamation to Star Stone Quarries, Inc.* Copies of the four signed and executed transfer forms are enclosed for your files. Star Stone Quarries, Inc. is now the official party responsible for all mining and reclamation obligations for these projects.

A Large Mining Operations Notice of Intention for the Heber Quarry is currently being reviewed by the Division, under the name of Star Stone Quarries, Inc. The transfer for the Heber Quarry is only for the currently approved small mine notice. We currently hold an "interim" surety for the Heber Quarry on behalf of American Stone. Upon completion of the current large mine notice review, we will require the reclamation surety and reclamation contract agreement be posted in the name of the new corporation.

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Thank you for your help in finalizing this transaction. We are awaiting the transfer notices for your six other projects. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5286.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Wayne Hedberg". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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Enclosure: 4 Executed Transfer forms
cc: Dean Nyffeler, BLM (UTY070593) Torry transfer
Mike Ford, BLM, Horse Creek transfer
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